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L9 ANSWER 2 OF 3 USPATFULL

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TI Method for generating nonpathogenic infectious pancreatic necrosis virus (IPNV) from synthetic RNA transcripts

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TI An efficacious recombinant subunit vaccine against the salmonid rickettsial pathogen *Piscirickettsia salmonis*.

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L5	34 S L4 AND L2
L6	17 DUP REM L5 (17 DUPLICATES REMOVED)
L7	219 S PISCIRICKETTSIA SALMONIS
L8	9 S L7 AND L2
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